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# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS **DALLAS DIVISION**

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SUPER-SPARKLY SAFETY STUFF, LLC

Civil Action No. 318 - CV 0587 - D

SKYLINE USA, INC., d/b/a GUARD DOG SECURITY

**DEFENDANTS** 

# COMPLAINT

### TO THE HONORABLE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT:

COMES NOW the Plaintiff, Super-Sparkly Safety Stuff, LLC ("Super,") by and through its attorney, Chris H. Stewart of the Stewart Law Firm, files this Complaint against defendant Skyline USA, INC., d/b/a Guard Dog Security, (hereafter "Guard") as follows:

### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 1. This Court retains jurisdiction as patent infringement raises a federal question and is proper under 28 U.S.C. § 1331.
- 2. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391, venue in this suit lies in the Northern District of Texas because the actions which gave rise to the claims presented in this complaint occurred in Dallas, Texas, within the Northern District of Texas.
- 3. Additionally, the Northern District of Texas has personal jurisdiction of the Defendants. Defendants have maintained substantial, continuous and systematic contacts with the state of Texas through its business dealings with customers in Texas. Furthermore, Defendant marketed its services and provided customer services to the state of Texas.

4. Additionally, The Northern District of Texas has personal jurisdiction of the Defendants because, among other things, Defendants are engaged in tortuous conduct within the state of Texas and in this District, including placing into commerce illegal copies of Plaintiff's patent via <a href="www.guarddog-security.com">www.guarddog-security.com</a>, catalogs, tradeshows, third-party sellers and independent sale's agents.

# <u>PARTIES RELEVANT TO</u> PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

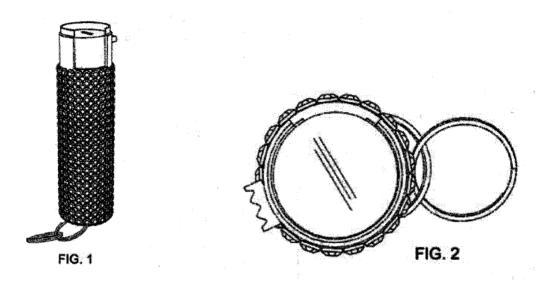
- 5. This action is brought by Super-Sparkly Safety Stuff, LLC, manufacturers of pepper spray, and other personal security devices, organized within the state of Texas with its principal headquarters at 7015 Twin Hills Ave., Dallas, TX 75231.
- 6. Skyline USA, INC., d/b/a Guard Dog Security, (hereinafter "GUARD") is a corporation organized under the laws of the state of Florida and its principal place of business located at 4180 St. John's Parkway, Sandford, TX 32771, with business activities throughout Texas, the United States and the World Wide Web. GUARD offers for sale an infringing product called "Bling It On" pepper spray that violates the Plaintiff's patent and embodies the Plaintiff's "Bling Sting" pepper spray.

## **FACTUAL BASIS FOR THE CLAIMS ASSERTED**

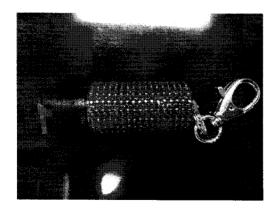
- 7. The Plaintiff specializes in the manufacture and distribution of pepper spray, stun and other personal protection devices.
- 8. The Plaintiff markets and sells its patented products through trade specialty shows, sales associates, retail stores, catalogs and through internet distribution throughout the United States.

- 9. The Defendant is a seller and importer of goods from China and sells the goods as retail and wholesale nationwide.
- 10. The Defendant uses tradeshow, the world wide web, catalog and business to business activities to sell its products.
  - 11. The Defendant owns and operates the website <u>www.guarddog-security.com</u>.
- 12. Andrea Anteberry and Gabe Mazzone filed for a two patents for a "Rhinestone covered container for pepper spray canister."
- 13. On June 9, 2015, United States Letters Patent No. US D731,172S and January 7, 2014, No. USD696,857S, were issued to Andrea Anteberry and Gabe Mazzone for an invention for a "Rhinestone covered container for pepper spray canister." See Exhibit A.
- 14. Gabe Mazzone is the president of the Plaintiff and Andrea Anteberry is the CEO of the Plaintiff.
- 15. Gabe Mazzone and Andrea Anteberry both assigned their right and title of the United States Letters Patent No. US D731,172S and No. USD696,857S to the Plaintiff.
- 16. Upon information and belief the Plaintiff learned on February 7, 2017, that GUARD offered for sale an infringing product called "Bling It On" pepper spray that violated the Plaintiff's patent and embodied the Plaintiff's "Bling Sting" pepper spray.
- 17. The following week a notice was sent to Mr. Shabbir Sheikh, the owner and registered agent of GUARD, informing him of the infringing product and illegal infringement.
  - 18. GUARD continues to sell the infringing product.
- 19. Plaintiff has seen GUARD advertises and offer the infringing product for sale at the ASD tradeshow in Las Vegas, NV.

20. The Plaintiff owed the US D731,172S patent throughout the period of the Defendants infringing acts and still owns the patent. See Figures 1 & 2. Below of the US D731,172S patent.

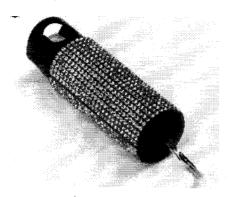


- 21. The Plaintiff's product is one of a kind and it came first.
- 22. The Plaintiff's Bling Sting pepper spray product embodies the Plaintiff's patent. See photo below.

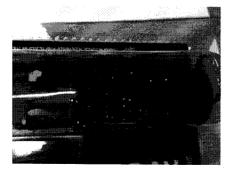


23. The Plaintiff's designs are its own intellectual property. No goods of this design existed prior to the Plaintiff's designs and patents.

- 24. The Plaintiff are the only holder of patents on products of this kind in the United States.
  - 25. The Plaintiff makes significant revenue off of the Bling Sting pepper spray.
- 26. On information and belief the Plaintiff learned that in February 7, 2017 that the Defendant began selling an illegal product that embodied the Plaintiff's patent.
  - 27. The Defendant currently has the illegal products on its websites.
- 28. The Defendant has sold and continue to sell on their websites illegal copies of the Plaintiff's patents and contributes to third parties selling illegal copies of the Plaintiff's patents on its websites.
  - 29. 35 U.S.C. § 271 states in part,
- "(a) Except as otherwise provided in this <u>title [35 USCS §§ 1</u> et seq.], whoever without authority makes, uses, offers to sell, or sells any patented invention, within the United States or imports into the United States any patented invention during the term of the patent therefore, infringes the patent. (b) Whoever actively induces infringement of a patent shall be liable as an infringer."
  - 30. The Defendant's actions have violated 35 U.S.C. § 271 and 15 U.S.C. § 1125.
- 31. The Defendant, intentionally, willfully, and wantonly violated 35 U.S.C. § 271 and 15 U.S.C. § 1125.
- 32. The Defendant without authority placed in the stream of commerce and offered to sell, the Plaintiff's patented inventions, within the United States.
- 33. The Defendant markets the illegal product under its product line Guard Dog Security and calls it the "Bling It On." Please see a photo below.



- 34. The Defendant without a licensed from the Plaintiff placed in the stream of commerce and offered to sell, the Plaintiff's patented inventions, within the United States.
- 35. The Defendant has induced individuals and companies to infringe on the Plaintiff's patented products. Including, but not limited to, the following companies:
  - a. www.amazon.com
  - b. www.zulily.com
- 36. A person with an internet connection may find the Defendants' illegal product on the websites listed above of the Induced Sellers.
- 37. The above identified sellers that sell and put the infringing product on their websites all do so with GUARD's express permission.
- 38. In addition to these infringing products, SUPER also received from GUARD knock-off pepper spracy, representative pictures of which are provided below. See Fig. Below.



- 39. The Accused devices available from GUARD through the websites above violate SUPER's patent rights.
- 40. SUPER's patent embodies the infringing product exposed for sale, offered for sale, and sold through GUARD induced sellers.
- 45. Defendants' exposing for sale, offering for sale, and selling the infringing products on GUARD's website violates SUPER's intellectual property rights by warehousing and/or offering for sale Accused devices, resulting in facilitation of third-party purchases of infringing products that violate SUPER's intellectual property rights.
- 46. Likewise, on information and belief, at least the GUARD induced sellers import into the United States the Accused Devices, also violate SUPER's intellectual property rights.
- 47. GUARD manages and controls the items that can be exposed for sale, offered for sale, and sold.
- 49. GUARD fulfills the sale of the products purchased by its buyers and induced sellers.
  - 50. GUARD profits from the sale of infringing product.
- 51. But for GUARD and the GUARD induced sellers exposing for sale, offering for sale, and selling the infringing products, SUPER would not have been damaged nor would its intellectual property rights have been infringed.
- 52. After receiving notice of SUPER's patent GUARD continue to sell and continued to induce third parties to sell counterfeit and illegal products.

- 53. GUARD chose to ignore SUPER's notice because of the financial incentives it receives from sales.
- 54. GUARD's willful and deliberate actions have caused significant harm to SUPER.
  - 55. GUARD infringes on SUPER's patent rights.
  - 56. GUARD has induced third parties to infringe on SUPER's patent rights.
- 57. GUARD placed in the stream of commerce illegal products that are significantly cheaper than SUPER's product.
- 58. SUPER has lost customers and revenue due to the illegal and infringing products being put in to the stream of commerce by GUARD.

# FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF PATENT INFRINGEMENT 35 U.S.C. § 271

- 59. SUPER incorporates and re-alleges each of the allegations set forth above as though fully set forth herein.
- 60. GUARD infringed upon the rights of SUPER's patent by exposing for sale, offering to sell, selling, and importing the infringing product in the United States.
- 61. GUARD will continue to infringe on the patent unless an injunction is granted by this Court.
- 62. GUARD acts are willful, in disregard of, and with indifference to, the rights of SUPER.

63. As a direct and proximate cause of the infringement by GUARD, SUPER is entitled to reasonable royalties and lost profits in amounts to be proven at trial, enhanced damages, and reasonable attorney's fees pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285. Additionally, GUARD induced sellers Defendants are liable to SUPER to the extent of their total profits, but not less than \$250, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 289.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief as set forth below.

# SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF PATENT INFRINGEMENT BY INDUCEMENT 35 U.S.C. § 271(b)

- 64. SUPER incorporates and re-alleges each of the allegations set forth above as though fully set forth herein.
- 65. GUARD has infringed upon the rights of SUPER's patent by inducing individuals and companies to infringe upon the rights of SUPER's patent. Including Induced Sellers, but not limited to, listed below.
  - a. www.amazon.com
  - b. www.zulily.com
- 66. GUARD, with knowledge of SUPER's patent rights, has continued to allow the infringing product to be exposed for sale, offered for sale, and sold.
- 67. GUARD will continue to induce infringement of the patent through its sales activities unless enjoined by this Court.
- 68. GUARD's acts are willful, in disregard of, and with indifference to, the rights of SUPER.

- 69. As a direct and proximate cause of the infringement by GUARD, SUPER is entitled to reasonable royalties and lost profits in amounts to be proven at trial, enhanced damages, and reasonable attorney's fees pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285. Additionally, GUARD is liable to SUPER to the extent of its total profit, but not less than \$250, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 289.
- 70. Defendants have literally and wilfully infringed upon Plaintiff's patent. Alternatively, Defendants have infringed under the doctrine of equivalents "in situations where there is no literal infringement but liability is nevertheless appropriate to prevent what is in essence a pirating of the patentee's invention." GUARD'S infringing clock is substantially the same design.

# PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment against Defendants, and each of them jointly and severally, as follows:

- A. Judgment against the Defendant declaring that the Defendant's actions directly infringe on the Plaintiff's patents Nos. US D731,172S and US D696,857S;
- B. Plaintiff's reasonable royalties that may be proper under 35 U.S.C. § 284 in amounts to be proven at trial;
- C. Plaintiff's lost profits with respect to each patent infringement in amounts to be proven at trial;
  - D. The Defendant's profits from the illegal product.
- E. Enhanced damages that may be proper under 35 U.S.C. § 284 with respect to each patent infringement for the Defendant's willful infringement;

- F. A declaration that the Plaintiff's case against the Defendant is an exceptional case pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285 and therefore subject to attorneys' fees;
  - G. An award of costs and attorneys' fee to the Plaintiff; and,
  - H. Such other relief as the Court deems just and reasonable.

# **DEMAND FOR A JURY TRIAL**

Plaintiff demand a trial by jury as to all claims averred herein that are triable by jury.

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# (12) United States Design Patent (10) Patent No.:

**US D731,172 S** 

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#### RHINESTONE COVERED CONTAINER FOR PEPPER SPRAY CANISTER

- (71) Applicants: Andrea A Atteberry, New York, NY (US); Gabriel P Mazzone, San Jose, CA (US)
- Inventors: Andrea A Atteberry, New York, NY (US); Gabriel P Mazzone, San Jose, CA (US)
- (\*\*) Term: 14 Years
- (21) Appl. No.: 29/466,781
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#### U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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We claim the omamental design for a rhinestone covered container for pepper spray canister, as shown and described.

#### DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front perspective view of a rhinestone covered container for a pepper spray canister, covering a portion of a representative sample of a pepper canister within (in broken lines, unclaimed); also unclaimed is a representative sample of a loop for a key chain or similar device

FIG. 2 is a top plan view of FIG. 1 thereof. FIG. 3 is a bottom plan view of FIG. 1 thereof. FIG. 4 is a front elevation view of FIG. 1 thereof, the rear

elevation view being a mirror image thereof. FIG. 5 is a left side elevation view of FIG. 1 thereof, the right side elevation view being a mirror mage thereof.

FIG. 6 is a front perspective of a rhinestone covered container for a pepper spray canister, covering a portion (less than that of FIG. 1) of the representative sample of a pepper canister within (in broken lines, unclaimed); also unclaimed is a representative sample of a loop for a key chain or other attach-

FIG. 7 is a front elevation view of FIG. 6 thereof, the rear elevation view being a mirror image thereof.

FIG. 8 is a left side elevation view of FIG. 6 thereof, the right side elevation view being a mirror image thereof.

FIG. 9 is a front perspective view of a rhinestone covered container for a pepper spray canister within (in broken lines, unclaimed); also unclaimed is a representative sample of a loop for a key chain or other attachment.

FIG. 10 is a front elevation view of FIG. 9 thereof, the rear elevation view being a mirror image thereof.

FIG. 11 is a left side elevation view of FIG. 9 thereof, the right side elevation view being a mirror image thereof.

FIG. 12 is a front perspective view of a rhinestone covered container for a pepper spray canister, covering a portion (less than that of FIG 9) of the representative sample of a pepper canister within (in broken lines, unclaimed); also unclaimed is a representative sample of a loop for a key chain or other attachment.

FIG. 13 is a front elevation view of FIG. 12 thereof, the rear elevation view being a mirror image thereof; and,

FIG. 14 is a left side elevation view of FIG. 12 thereof, the right side elevation view being a mirror image thereof.

The broken lines are for illustrative purposes and do not form part of the claimed design. It is understood that, disregarding the unclaimed material in broken lines, each respective bottom plan view of the latter three embodiments (FIGS. 6, 9 and 12) is the same as that of the first embodiment, depicted in FIG. 3. Each respective top plan view of the latter three embodiments is almost identical to that of the first embodiment, depicted in FIG. 3.

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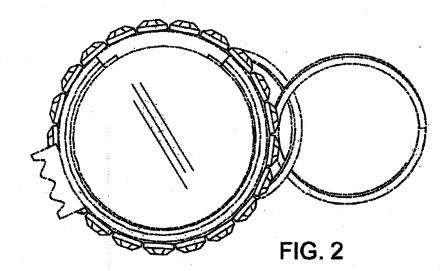
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FIG. 1



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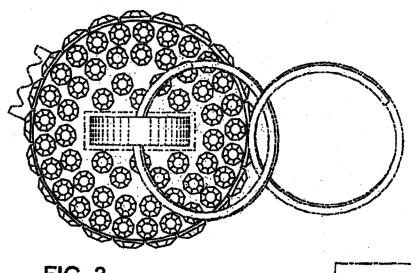
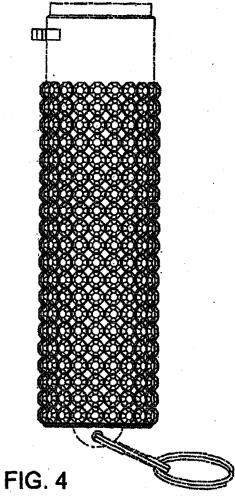
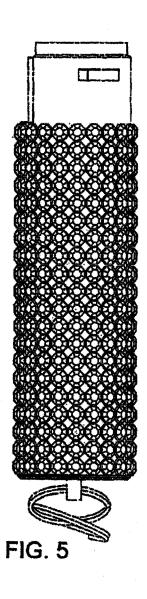


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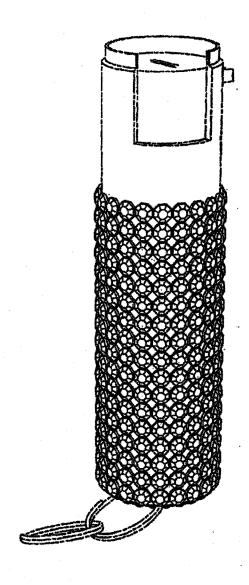
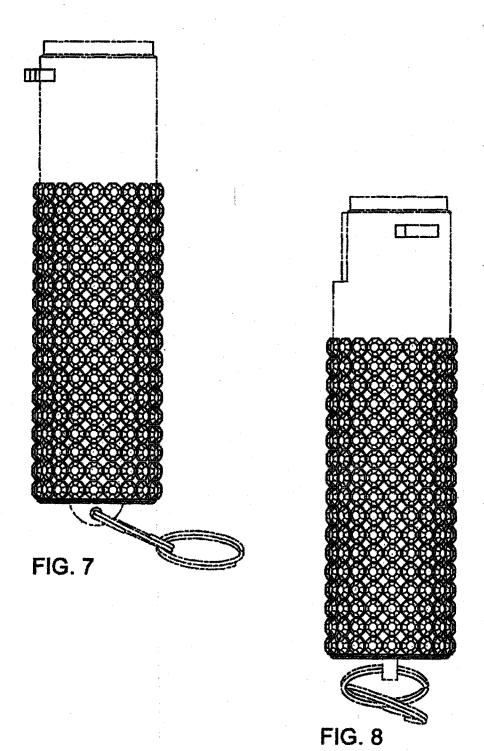


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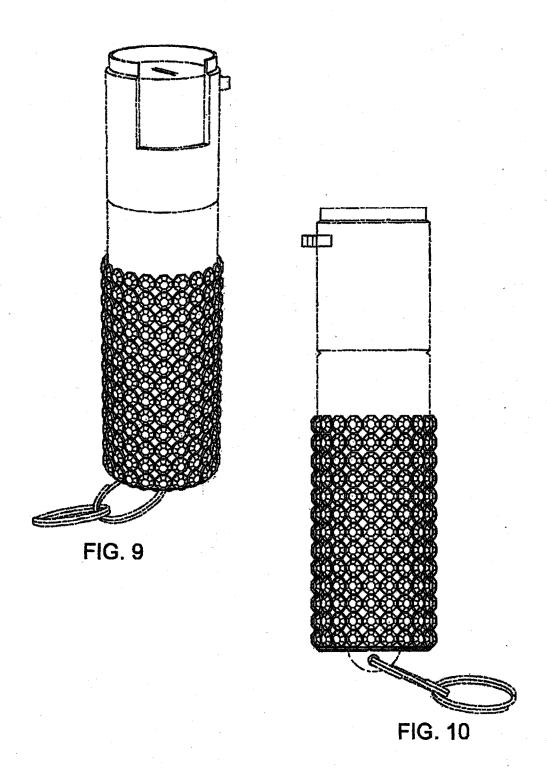
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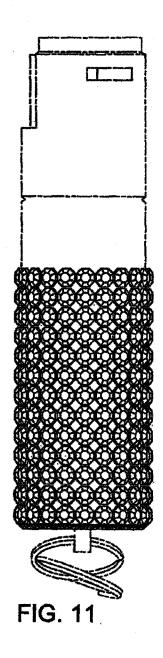
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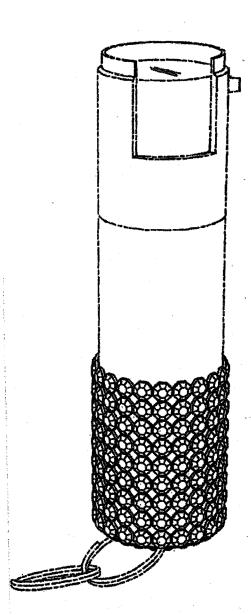
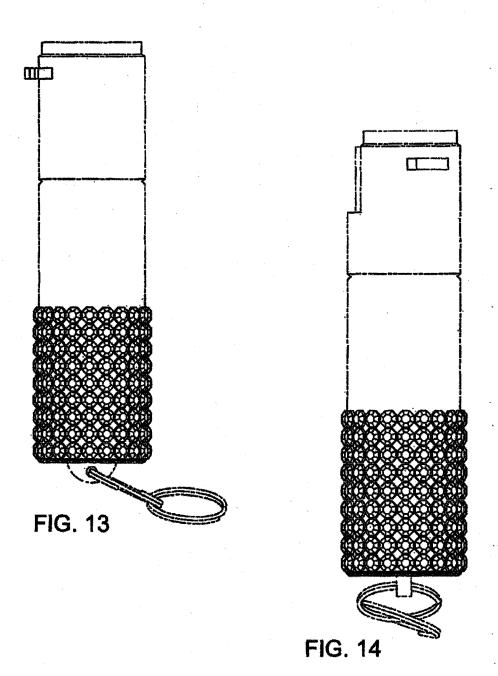


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#### RHINESTONE COVERED CONTAINER FOR (54) PEPPER SPRAY

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CLAIM

The ornamental design for a rhinestone covered container for pepper spray, as shown and described.

#### DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a rhinestone covered container for pepper spray, having a cutout configuration in the shape of a heart, and a hollow interior.

FIG. 2 is a top plan view of FIG. 1 thereof.

FIG. 3 is a bottom plan view of FIG. 1 thereof.

FIG. 4 is a front elevation view of FIG. 1 thereof.

FIG. 5 is a rear elevation view of FIG. 1 thereof.

FIG. 6 is a first side elevation view of FIG. 1 thereof, with the second side elevation being a mirror image of the first side

FIG. 7 is another perspective view of FIG. 1 thereof, with a pair of rings attached to the attachment opening, with the rings shown in broken lines.

FIG. 8 is another perspective view of an embodiment of FIG. 1 thereof, with the container having a cutout configuration in the shape of a circle.

FIG. 9 is a front elevation view of FIG. 8 thereof.

FIG. 10 is another perspective view of an embodiment of FIG. 1 thereof, with the container having a cutout configuration in the shape of a square.

FIG. 11 is a front elevation view of FIG. 10 thereof.

FIG. 12 is a perspective view of alternative embodiment of the rhinestone covered container for pepper spray, with the container having a closed top or cap, a cutout configuration in the shape of a heart, and a thumb-trigger; and,

FIG. 13 is another perspective view of FIG. 12 thereof.

It is understood that the corresponding top plan, bottom plan, rear elevation, and side elevation views of the embodiments having a circle-shape cutout configuration and a square-shape cutout configuration of the container are similar to the views of the container having a heart-shaped cutout configuration of the embodiment of FIGS. 1-7, respectively. The corresponding views of the embodiment shown in FIG. 12 are similar to the views of FIGS. 1-7.

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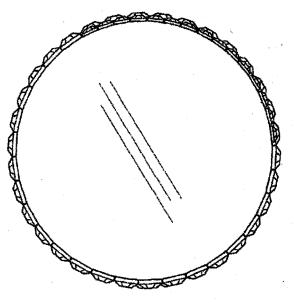


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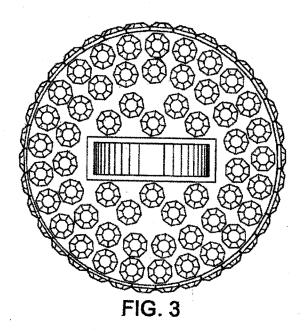




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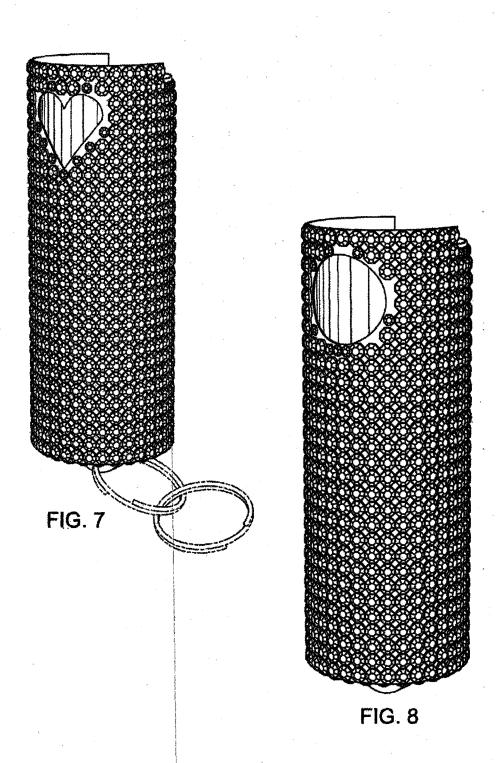


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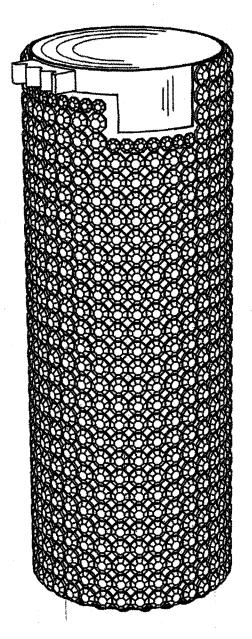


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NORTHE (N DISTRICT OF TEXAS I. (a) PLAINTIFFS DEFENDANTS Skyline USA, Inc., d/b/a Guard Dog Security Super-Sparkly Safety Stuff, LLC County of Residence of First Listed Defendant (b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff Dallas (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY) (EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES) IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED. Attorneys (If Known) (c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number) Stewart Law Firm PO Box 25862 Little Rock, AR 72221 PH: 501-353-1364 II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only) III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant) (For Diversity Cases Only) DEF DEF **PTF** 1 U.S. Government 3 Federal Ouestion Incorporated or Principal Place  $\Box$  4 **3** 4 Plaintiff (U.S. Government Not a Party) Citizen of This State **O** 1 of Business In This State 2 Incorporated and Principal Place **5** □ 5 2 U.S. Government 4 Diversity Citizen of Another State **D** 2 of Business In Another State Defendant (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III) Citizen or Subject of a 3 3 Foreign Nation **1** 6 **1** 6 Foreign Country IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only) OTHER STATUTES CONTRACT FORFEITURE/PENALTY BANKRUPTCY ☐ 375 False Claims Act 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 □ 110 Insurance PERSONAL INJURY PERSONAL INJURY ☐ 625 Drug Related Seizure ☐ 423 Withdrawal ☐ 400 State Reapportionment ☐ 365 Personal Injury of Property 21 USC 881 ☐ 120 Marine ☐ 410 Antitrust 28 USC 157 ☐ 130 Miller Act 315 Airplane Product Product Liability ☐ 690 Other ☐ 430 Banks and Banking ☐ 140 Negotiable Instrument Liability ☐ 367 Health Care/ PROPERTY RIGHTS ☐ 450 Commerce ☐ 320 Assault, Libel & ☐ 150 Recovery of Overpayment Pharmaceutical ☐ 460 Deportation & Enforcement of Judgmer Slander Personal Injury ☐ 820 Copyrights 830 Patent ☐ 470 Racketeer Influenced and ☐ 330 Federal Employers' ☐ 151 Medicare Act Product Liability ☐ 840 Trademark Corrupt Organizations 152 Recovery of Defaulted Liability ☐ 368 Asbestos Personal 480 Consumer Credit ☐ 340 Marine Student Loans Injury Product ☐ 490 Cable/Sat TV SOCIAL SECURITY (Excludes Veterans) ☐ 345 Marine Product Liability LABOR ☐ 861 HIA (1395ff) ☐ 850 Securities/Commodities/ PERSONAL PROPERTY ☐ 153 Recovery of Overpayment Liability 710 Fair Labor Standards 862 Black Lung (923) Exchange ☐ 350 Motor Vehicle of Veteran's Benefits ☐ 370 Other Fraud Act ☐ 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) 890 Other Statutory Actions ☐ 355 Motor Vehicle 160 Stockholders' Suits 7 371 Truth in Lending □ 720 Labor/Management ☐ 891 Agricultural Acts Relations ☐ 864 SSID Title XVI ■ 190 Other Contract Product Liability 380 Other Personal ☐ 740 Railway Labor Act ☐ 865 RSI (405(g)) 893 Environmental Matters 195 Contract Product Liability ☐ 360 Other Personal Property Damage ☐ 895 Freedom of Information ☐ 751 Family and Medical □ 196 Franchise ☐ 385 Property Damage Injury ☐ 362 Personal Injury -Product Liability Leave Act ☐ 896 Arbitration Medical Malpractic 790 Other Labor Litigation REAL PROPERTY CIVIL RIGHTS PRISONER PETITIONS FEDERAL TAX SUITS 899 Administrative Procedure ☐ 791 Employee Retirement Act/Review or Appeal of 210 Land Condemnation ☐ 440 Other Civil Rights Habeas Corpus: Income Security Act 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff ☐ 220 Foreclosure ☐ 441 Voting 463 Alien Detainee or Defendant) Agency Decision ☐ 442 Employment ☐ 950 Constitutionality of ☐ 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment 510 Motions to Vacate 871 IRS—Third Party 240 Torts to Land ☐ 443 Housing/ Sentence 26 USC 7609 State Statutes ☐ 245 Tort Product Liability Accommodations 530 General ☐ 290 All Other Real Property 445 Amer, w/Disabilities ☐ 535 Death Penalty IMMIGRATION 462 Naturalization Application Employment Other: ☐ 446 Amer. w/Disabilities ☐ 540 Mandamus & Other 465 Other Immigration Other ☐ 550 Civil Rights Actions ☐ 448 Education 555 Prison Condition 560 Civil Detainee Conditions of Confinement V. ORIGIN (Place an "X" in One Box Only) Original ☐ 2 Removed from 5 Transferred from  $\Box$  6 Multidistrict  $\Box$  3 Remanded from ☐ 4 Reinstated or Another District Appellate Court Litigation Proceeding State Court Reopened Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity): 35 U.S.C. § 271 VI. CAUSE OF ACTION Brief description of cause: Patent Infringement VII. REQUESTED IN DEMAND \$ CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint: CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P. **COMPLAINT:** JURY DEMAND: **▼** Yes VIII. RELATED CASE(S) (See instructions): IF ANY JUDGE DOCKET NUMBER DATE SIGNATURE OF ATT Y OF

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